

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title : Method for Thermomechanical Treatment of Steel

AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
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January 8, 2009

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated August 8, 2008. **An extension of the deadline for response to the Office Action is respectfully requested pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and the appropriate fee is submitted herewith.**

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. **Additional claims fees are submitted herewith (40 - 24 = 16 x \$52 = \$832.00).**

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.